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Subject: MLPAComments: Line fishing by individuals in Carmel Bay and Carmel Point

In reviewing the August 15, 2006 recommendation I support limited fishing in the Carmel Bay/River area. Kayak anglers are sensitive the delicate balance of the wildlife found in the area. I not only fish in the area but go out in my kayak to enjoy the pacific dolphins, whales and other marine mammal that live in this area. I hope this commission doesn't limit how we can enjoy where we live but provide guidance on how to maintain the abundant sea life including the fish one can catch in the near shore lush kelp forest.

Personally I would truly miss being able to share the unique experiences of this marine wonderland with my 7 year old daughter. We enjoy fishing in this area together catching our dinner and no more on one of our wonderful kayak fishing trip near our home in the Carmel area. The awareness she is developing of the balance of this marine environment will help build a future steward for this natural area. Some day I know she will share this with her children and pass on the tradition of taking only what you need and preserving the area for the future. I ask for moderation in any decision to stop us from being able to continue our family recreational kayak fishing in an area where we live. I would recommend a reduction in limit but not restricting the fishing in the area. Not too many of us fish here but those of us that do know we need to make sure we preserve fish for the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope to be back in the water fishing next summer when the 2007 season opens.

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